



## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
 United States Patent and Trademark Office  
 Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
 www.uspto.gov

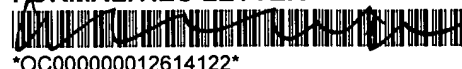
APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING OR 371 (c) DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
10/779,933	02/17/2004	Satishkumar Ambalal Patel	G-33655P1

001095  
 NOVARTIS  
 CORPORATE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY  
 ONE HEALTH PLAZA 430/2  
 EAST HANOVER, NJ 07936-1080



CONFIRMATION NO. 9351

## FORMALITIES LETTER



\*OC000000012614122\*

Date Mailed: 05/12/2004

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

07/21/2004 BARRAHA1 00000041 190134 10779933

01 FC:1051 130.00 DA

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

  
Customer Service Center

Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202

PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

FILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

EV540155123US  
Express Mail Label NumberJuly 16, 2004  
Date of Deposit

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

PATEL ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/779,933

FILED: FEBRUARY 17, 2004

FOR: LANSOPRAZOLE MICROTABLETS

**MS: Missing Parts**Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed May 12, 2004 (a copy of which is enclosed) has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 12, 2004.

A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a). Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$110 for payment of the extension fee.

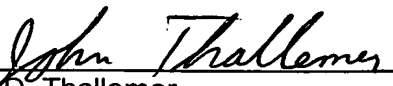
In response, applicants now submit an original or copy of a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Please charge the \$130 surcharge fee under 37 CFR §1.16(e) to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

A duplicate copy of this letter is provided for charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

Novartis  
Corporate Intellectual Property  
One Health Plaza, Building 430  
East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080  
(862) 778-7945  
Date: 7/16/2004

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
John D. Thallemer  
Attorney for Applicants  
Reg. No. 34,940